



ROBINS CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 5TH, 2020 MEETING

Mayor Hinz called the meeting to order in Robins City Hall on Monday, October 5th, 2020 at 5:30 p.m. After the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, roll call was taken with Councilors Don Norton, Dick Pilcher, Roger Overbeck, Marilyn Cook and Brad Sevcik in attendance along with Engineer Dax Suntken, Attorney Ryan Tang, Fire Chief Brian Boots and City Clerk/Treasurer Lori Pickart. There were no guests in attendance.

Norton moved to approve the Agenda, Overbeck seconded and all voted aye.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- ✓ Mayor Hinz reported the City, along with the other Metro-Area Cities and Linn County did not receive the \$25M grant which was applied for relating to the construction of Tower Terrace Road. He noted the feds will be giving valuable feedback which will help for next year's application. He noted in his discussion with Rick Miene all of the storm debris is picked up and they continue to chipping. He added they will be starting to haul the debris out later in the week. Miene noted he has three different locations in which they will be taking the chips and added Rick is working with the DNR to get the necessary permits.
- ✓ Streets Coordinator Brad Sevcik noted he has received a lot of good comments relating to our debris cleanup along with several "thank you's".
- ✓ Finance Coordinator Marilyn Cook noted the costs to clean up the Derecho are taking a toll on our reserves.
- ✓ Public Works Coordinator Roger Overbeck noted the water and sewer items are covered in the Engineer's Report. He added the annual leaf pickup will be starting towards the end of the month.
- ✓ Safety Coordinator Dick Pilcher noted data relating to the speed trailer were included in the packet adding Captain Manhart was called away on personal business so we will review the data at next month's meeting.
- ✓ Parks Coordinator Don Norton noted the Robins Civic Club has decided "Truck of Treat" has been cancelled for this year. He noted the next Civic Club meeting is on Tuesday, October 13th at 7:00 p.m. He added the club is working on an event to thank the community for their work in the Derecho clean-up. He recommended closing the South Troy Park immediately for the remainder of 2020.
- ✓ Engineer Dax Suntken had nothing to add to the Engineer's Report.

CITIZEN COMMENTS – Agenda items – None

CITIZEN COMMENTS – Non-Agenda items

- ✓ Fire Chief Brian Boots asked when the burn ban would be lifted as he is getting tons of calls and texts. Mayor Hinz noted the city will be putting out an e-blast lifting the burn ban in the very near future.

CONSENT AGENDA

Pilcher moved to approve the Consent Agenda which contained the Minutes of the September 8th and 21st meeting; the Financial Report; and the List of Bills. Pickart noted the Council Committee Reports will be corrected in the September 8th minutes. Sevcik seconded Pilcher's motion and all voted aye.

OLD BUSINESS

- a. **Public Hearing-Budget Amendment.** Mayor Hinz opened the public hearing to hear comments and concerns relating to amending the FY21 budget at 7:24 p.m. Pickart noted the amendment

was to add \$1M to the budget to cover the derecho debris pickup costs; and \$726K to cover the upcoming payment for the Indian Creek Interceptor Upgrade. There were no written or verbal comments received, the public hearing closed at 7:27 p.m.

- b. **Resolution No. 1020-1.** Norton moved to approve Resolution No.1020-1 approving the proposed budget amendment, Cook seconded. On the vote, all voted aye.
- c. **Public Hearing – Urban Renewal Plan Amendment.** Mayor Hinz opened the public hearing to hear comments and concerns to Declare Necessity and Establish an Urban Renewal Area and to Approve an Urban Renewal Plan Amendment for the Robins Urban Renewal Area at 7:28 p.m. Pickart noted the amendment adds all of the County Home Road right-of-way within the corporate limits and all of the public right of way of Tower Terrace Road commencing at its intersection with the west right-of-way line of Interstate 380 and continuing east to its intersection with the east right-of way line of Robins Road. There were no written or verbal comments received, the public hearing closed at 7:30 p.m. Cook moved to approve Resolution No. 1020-5 approving the amendment, Sevcik seconded and all voted aye.
- d. **Public Hearing – General Obligation Bonds.** Mayor Hinz opened the public hearing to hear comments and concerns relating to the proposal to enter into a General Obligation Corporate Purpose and Refunding Loan Agreement, Series 2020 and setting the date for sale of said bonds and authorizing the use of a preliminary official statement at 7:31 p.m. Pickart noted the city is issuing new bonds intended for the costs associated with County Home Road upgrade; the costs associated with the Indian Creek Sewer upgrade; and a portion of the Kings Way Water Main Loop; along with refunding the Series 2011 and 2013 Bonds. She noted the bond sale is set for October 20th, 2020. The public hearing closed at 7:34 p.m. Cook moved to approve Resolution No 1020-4 approving the proposal and setting the date of sale along with authorizing the use of a preliminary official statement. Pilcher seconded and all voted aye.

NEW BUSINESS

- a. **Kings Way Water Main Loop.** Overbeck moved to approve Resolution No.1020-3, approving the Contract and Bonds for the Kings Way Water Main Loop, Sevcik seconded. Overbeck wondered if we should put the main in as plastic pipe as Cedar Rapids now allows it. Suntken noted the previously agreed to mains would be ductile iron as noted in the Strategic Future Growth plan, adding the city would need to go out for bid again as it would qualify as a significant change. On the vote, all voted aye.
- b. **SCBA Systems.** The Council reviewed the estimates for new SCBA bottles from Alex Air Apparatus in the amount of \$154,780.00; and a new cascade system from Midwest Breathing Air in the amount of \$37,621.48. The Council advised Boots to see if the vendors would hold off until March 2021 to purchase anything to assure funding is available.

Sevcik moved to adjourn at 7:55 p.m., Pilcher seconded and all voted aye.

Chuck Hinz, Mayor

ATTEST:

Lori Pickart, City Clerk/Treasurer